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### Collectors' Notices.

Mrs. L. C. Loring, of Burnham, our cattle reporter, is to receive a stipend for money and services rendered to the paper.

Mrs. J. W. Knobell will call upon our subscribers to pay their bills.

FRIEND J. H. FAIRY will call upon our subscribers to pay their bills.

Mr. G. J. Ayer is now calling upon our subscribers in Knox county.

The Supreme Court of Washington Territory has declared woman suffrage in Territory unconstitutional.

A Kansas ranchman predicts that the cheap beef and mutton of the future will come from the immense grassy plains of Brazil and the Argentine Republic.

Mr. H. Nelson of Holden, who was in the city of Denver, informs us that the track on the grounds of the old West Somerset Agricultural Society has been put in excellent condition.

Hon. C. A. Packard, Land Agent, has been in Massachusetts recently looking up old places of Maine towns. He has found plans of one hundred and thirty of them, which are not possessed by the Land Office.

Reports from thirty-five representative points in Southwestern Nebraska show that wheat, oats and all small grain are total failure. The almost continuous rain and heavy wind and hail storms of late week destroyed the little prospect which there was of saving crops.

Detectives have found the hand of outlaws in Southwestern Indiana, known as the "White Cape" to be very prevalent organization, and the leader of this gang of vigilance committee. The uniform of the gang is white, and in some respects the officers of the law appear to be powerless.

Last Sunday the *Sunday Times* of Portland, celebrated the beginning of its fourteenth year by coming out as an eight page paper. The Times has fully paid a dividend, and is still solvent, and we send our congratulations to the paper, which has proved its mechanical department. We congratulate Mr. Bailey, who started the paper, on these evidences of prosperity and enterprise.

The members of Kennebec bar are to day to make an excursion by steamer from Gardiner to the lake of Sibon, thus insuring a day of rest and recreation.

Portland has a large number of electrical lights and other refreshments will be served. This will enable the lawyers to get away from their clamorous clients and briefs for a brief period, and is the hands of the committee, F. E. Southard, A. M. Spear and W. T. Haines, a successful meeting is assured.

Portland is a place where a disposition to do no good is no place to nothing that they are hardy willing to make a report at all, or to talk about their business. J. W. Treffet reports the smallest business for at least a year. During the past seven days the mackerel arrivals have been about 100,000 bushels, and the market price has received 200 bushels, C. A. Dyer & Co. 200 barrels, and D. L. Fernald & Co. 145 bushels. The skippers are discouraged, and some say they see no hope for the mackerel fisheries except in the immediate enactment of a national law forbidding any mode of fishing except by the line.

There is no mistake about the ravages of the "Marlin" in the waters of the State. The "Marlin" is putting his horns with serious damage to clothing and carping. In our sympathy for the afflicted we give herewith, from the Newburyport Herald, what price can be had for oil, and what you can get for this particular fish.

"Take equal parts of powdered camphor, borax and salpeter. Apply the mixture liberally under carpets or among clothes. After a few days the stains will be entirely removed.

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The Farmers' Festival. The annual State Fair at Lewiston became the most successful of many years.

Next year it will be held Sept. 11-14, and the attractions will be far and varied we have not space to enumerate. There will be all that more can possibly be crowded in, but it is being planned to be a holiday by all the people.

The new premium lists are now available.

The new headquarters for the Maine Farmer are about completed, and ready for the painters to lend additional attractiveness to the building by the application of bright colors. We hope to have the building ready for occupancy in October.

The new stock department close August 20; for trotting horses, August 25; Hal and miscellaneous, Monday, Sept. 1.

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The Governor, and Governor and Marquis friends will be present, together with distinguished gentlemen from New Brunswick. There are to be close and exciting games of base ball between the Marquises, Lord Balfour, and the New England League, each day of the fair.

For information, premium lists, entries, etc., address the Secretary at Portland till Sept. 1; after that date at the Park, Lewiston.

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**Poetry.**

**God Pondereth the Heart.**  
They think because I wear a smile,  
Because my words are gay,  
That all the grief of years ago  
Is far behind me.  
They think because I wear a smile,  
And try my friends to charm,  
That I have no care or woes;  
Whom once I held so dear,  
They have forgotten, and perchance,  
In fading have not left  
My heart a single moment  
Of every brightness left.  
  
They know not what the heart may feel,  
What secret sorrows it may bear,  
The deepest anguish of the soul  
Is hidden in the depths of the brain,  
The stream which makes the slightest noise,  
And so sometimes a sadness creeps  
May hide the deepest woe.

W. H. J.

**Our Story Teller.****FATHER-IN-LAW.**

I suppose my first duty is to introduce myself. John Littlejohn Snelzbeck is the name with which I am affiliated. Affectionate John is the name which I am known by. It is the name of my earliest remembrance, when playmates vied with each other in all sorts of "pigmy" games. I have been a son-in-law since the present moment; it has never ceased to be me a burden and an annoyance. In which surnames became the inheritance of certain families, and after much reflection and great cogitation, I have come to the conclusion that one of my remote ancestors must have been a sufferer from rose cold or hay fever. At least, he must have had frequent attacks of influenza.

By profession I am a lawyer. Not a bad one yet, I am able to make quite a comfortable living, and also to put away a small amount yearly, for that event. I have a wife, a child, a cataract, and influenza shall gather, and the rain of affliction descend therefrom.

Considering myself, for the present, sufficiently announced, I will call attention to the world. I have a son-in-law, John Littlejohn Snelzbeck, who had conceived of this evolution of the female embryo, that had always asthma, and was subject to fits of convulsions, centering themselves upon some special object of womanly attraction, she might bequeath to him the right to which he would be entitled for the sake of such a vision of love.

Miss Nellie Bunner, ex-pretty, was introduced to a lady whose charms were surpassing from the black letters: "Giles A. St. John." She spake not ill, and Nellie asked for her to share with me his happiness and sorrow left me. Such dark, dancing eyes, and such a mouth, with the deepest dimples, showing pearls of teeth—the most dainty little chit, and the prettiest of prettys. Even a man like I, thought, could be born for the sake of such a vision of love.

Miss Nellie Bunner. Nellie is ex-pretty, pretty name, but—Bunner! Oh, my! No need for a name like that! Only in one way could a family have fallen her such as an appellation, though it was an application of the name of her mother to her, and inhuman as it may seem, when she repudiated the name of her mother, she could remember, my heart leaped for joy.

The evening I devoted my attention almost exclusively to Miss Bunner, walking with her to her very door when the company had passed, and, after thanking me for asking her for seeing her home in safety, she invited me, very kindly, indeed, to go up to her room. Her heart was in a blisful flutter. I promptly answered that I would very soon avail myself of the privilege, and, passing down the steps and went swiftly home to dream of the Nellie, and of her father-in-law lying with folded arms, for the sake of the golden green grass and waving willows.

No to speak too great harm, I permitted myself to do, before following my eager heart to influence the direction of my footfalls and bring me again into the presence of the Nellie. Bunner; and when I at last found myself at her door, although I was never conscious of having been there, I was almost ready to burst into tears for seeing her home in safety, she invited me, very kindly, indeed, to go up to her room. Her heart was in a blisful flutter. I promptly answered that I would very soon avail myself of the privilege, and, passing down the steps and went swiftly home to dream of the Nellie, and of her father-in-law lying with folded arms, for the sake of the golden green grass and waving willows.

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fortunate home and to give her all necessary things. She soon came back, and it was rather late, but the old gentleman good-naturedly invited us to stay over night at the same time. Besides, he began to develop an unpleasant little habit of the writer's was suffering from a severe case of rheumatism, which was very painful. A maid was sent to the door, and nearly all the whole upper set of large windows were closed, so that we could not see outside. Matters were getting, indeed, desperate, when relief came in the form of a short, fat old man and Nellie and I started for a court, leaving father-in-law on the depot platform. The old man, Littlejohn Snelzbeck, a native of the town, was coming to tell us that a maid aunt was coming to help us, and invited us to go to the car and we called, taking father-in-law with us. From the first, I saw that Miss Jersey was a good girl, and we could just as well have been a couple, married for years back, building air castles of the happy time we two would have in alone in the world. And with the help of her mate's tasteful help, furnished, during our brief courtship.

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